

# THE DAILY TELEGRAM.

## WASHINGTON CARBON COMPANY BEGINS CONSTRUCTION OF MAMMOTH FACTORIES

Factories Will Consist of Five or Six Mammoth Brick and Steel Buildings, Absolutely Fire-proof, and Together With Employees' Cottages Will Cover 25 Acres of Ground--All Will be Modern in Construction.

An Industry, Whose Factories and Equipments will cost \$150,000 or more, will be in Active Operation in Clarksburg by September 1 of the Coming Summer--Engineers on the Ground Ready to Stake Off the Building Sites so Work can Begin in Early Spring.

The construction of one of the most important industries in Clarksburg has yet been fortunate in securing will begin as soon as the weather will permit and next September will find it in active operation. This mammoth industry will be the Washington Carbon Company's factories.

Representatives of the company are in the city with a corps of civil engineers for the purpose of staking off the grounds for the buildings and this part of the work will begin at once and pushed to speedy completion so that when spring opens the buildings may be commenced.

The Washington Carbon Company's factories will be located at Grasselli, where the big chemical works are in course of construction. The company purchased twenty-five acres of ground there for factory purposes and will devote the entire acreage to factory sites for itself, houses for its employees, and railroad tracks, other requirements to conduct the business on an extensive scale.

This large concern here is the result of a removal of the same company from Washington, Pa., where it has long had an established business. The president of the company is J. S. Crider, of Pittsburgh, Pa., one of the leading manufacturers of the country.

The company will erect five or six gigantic brick and steel buildings, and these together with the equipments will cost at least \$150,000. The buildings will be of the most modern design in every particular. In addition to the regular machinery used in factories of this sort, several new and important devices will be installed, making the plant in its entirety one of the most complete in the manufacturing world.

Carbon, as the name suggests, will be manufactured and it is the intention to manufacture it in all its various forms. The capacity will be one million pounds a month, representing the employment of a large number of men.

A factory of this sort is quite desirable, there being ready sale for the products in all parts of the world and this fact showing that constant employment will be afforded.

It is an assured fact that the industry will be in active operation by the first of next September and this means a great deal for Clarksburg. For, not only the coming summer will furnish opportunity on a large scale for labor but in all future years there will be employment for a large number of men, a situation that adds materially and favorably to the industrial and commercial future of Clarksburg.

## FIVE TRAINMEN KILLED

By Associated Press.  
Birmingham, Ala., March 8--A south-bound limited express of the Alabama Great Southern Railroad, running sixty miles an hour, met a northbound Southern Railway freight near Kewanee, Miss., this morning.

Five trainmen were killed and several injured and both trains burned. No passengers were killed.

The dead are Engineer P. P. Larkin; Fireman, Henry Banks, colored; Mail Clerks Robinson, Riggs and D. D. Nicholson; Express Messenger, J. H. Hinds. Missing is a mail weigher, name unknown.

## PAYMASTER REDUCED IN RANK.

By Associated Press.  
Manila, March 8--Lieutenant John W. Morse, paymaster on the battleship Wisconsin was acquitted by court martial of irregularity in his accounts but the court found him guilty of neglect of duty and sentenced him reduced ten numbers in rank.

## JERUSALEM BOUND

Are Between Seven and Eight Hundred Delegates to the World's Sunday School Convention--Rev. Witter Among the Number.

By Associated Press.

New York, March 8--Between seven and eight hundred delegates to the World's Sunday School Convention, to be held at Jerusalem, April 18th, 19th and 20th, sailed to-day on the specially chartered steamer Grosser Kurfurst, of the North German Lloyd line. They represent nearly every state and territory on the North American continent. A similar party of European Sunday School workers will meet these in the Mediterranean.

Among those sailing from this city are Dr. Purinton and wife, of the West Virginia University; W. C. Shafer and others, of Fairmont, W. Va., and Rev. E. A. Witter, of Salem, W. Va.

## RATIFIED AGREEMENT

For the Construction of the Grand Trunk Line Through Canada to the Pacific Ocean.

By Associated Press.

London, March 8--The Grand Trunk Railroad stockholders to-day ratified the agreement with the Canadian government for the construction of the Grand Trunk line to the Pacific ocean.

## RUHL-KOBLEGARD COMPANY MOVES TO NEW QUARTERS

The Ruhl-Koblegard Company, wholesale grocers, who recently sold their interests and business to the Clarksburg Distributing Company, have transferred their offices from the building formerly occupied by them in Glen Elk to the building on Third street, recently vacated by the Peoples' Banking & Trust Company, and now occupied by the Clarksburg Building & Loan Association. They occupy rear rooms in the building and are engaged in closing up the business of the firm. John Koblegard is in charge of the office force and the business.

## APPOINTMENT

To Lucrative Position in the Interior Department at Washington Received By Miss Estelle Fleming.

Miss Estelle Fleming, daughter of William H. Fleming, of Shinnston, who has been the efficient stenographer in the office of Circuit Clerk Homer W. Williams here the past year, has been appointed to a lucrative position in the Department of the Interior at Washington and she left Monday night for that city to enter upon her duties. She is assigned to the census department, where she will be engaged on the census of the Philippine Islands. Miss Fleming formerly filled a position in that department and the splendid record she made got her the present appointment. Her many friends here regret her departure but are delighted with her fortune in receiving this appointment.

## BRICKLAYERS UNION MEETS.

The local brick layers union held its regular meeting in the Knights of Pythias hall Monday night. The attendance was good and a number of matters of interest to the union was discussed and acted upon.

## UNDERWENT OPERATION.

Mrs. Charles Welch residing in the Wine addition to the city, underwent a very difficult operation Monday evening in the City hospital for the removal of cystocele. The operation was successful and the patient will soon be well.

## WATERS ARE RAGING IN OHIO VALLEY

River Rapidly Rising at Every Point and Situation is Alarming at Several Places--Railroad Traffic is Suspended in Some Sections.

Greatest Since 1902.

By Associated Press.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., March 8--This is the greatest flood since 1902 and the river is still rising. Railroads are completely cut off from the city. Some coal mines are flooded. The railroad at Catawissa has been washed away. The flood was caused by ice gorges breaking loose.

Critical at Pittsburgh.

By Associated Press.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 8--In the flooded region the situation is critical. The river has risen rapidly since last night.

Passes Danger Line.

By Associated Press.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 8--For the third time in five weeks the rivers have passed the danger line to-day. The rivers are now slowly receding.

Worst in History.

By Associated Press.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 8--This city to-day faces the worst flood in its history. The weather observer predicts that the stage of the Susquehanna river will exceed that of last Friday. The river will continue to rise the next twenty-four hours.

## OVERULED ABATEMENT PLEA.

By Associated Press.

Rising Sun, Ind., Mar. 8--Judge Downey to-day overruled the plea in abatement in the case of William Gillespie, sustained the demurrer of the State and continued the case until the next term of court, on May 2nd.

## NEGRO LYNCHED IN OHIO

By Associated Press.

Springfield, Ohio, March 8--Great crowds to-day visited the scene of last night's lynching of the negro, Richard Dixon, who killed Policeman Collis. Sheriff Bowlsby did everything in his power to save the prisoner. He called on Major Kirkpatrick to turn out two companies of National Guard, but found the men reluctant to respond. They did not refuse, but said they did not like the duty, and when the lynching was over only twenty out of one hundred militia men had been collected.

The prosecuting attorney says if the grand jury finds indictments, the lynchers will be prosecuted.

Dixon fatally shot Collis in the former's room yesterday morning and Mamie Corbin, a negro. Collis had gone to the room by the negro's request. A quarrel ensued between the negro and his mistress and he shot her in the left breast. She fell unconscious and Collis jumped toward Dixon to prevent his escape. Dixon then fired four shots into Collis, the last entering the abdomen. He died at noon.

Dixon surrendered and was jailed. The matter was on the tongues of every one all day and at 11 o'clock a mob of 250 men took him from the jail and shot him to death in the jail yard. The body was then strung to a telephone pole and riddled with bullets.

## BOTTLING WORKS PURCHASED

J. W. Hall, of Ravenwood; W. H. McConnell, of Parkersburg, and others, purchased the Excelsior Bottling Company's plant and business here Tuesday from S. A. Lewis and Dr. W. E. Stathers, and took possession immediately. The plant is one of the best in the State but it is the intention to incorporate under the present name, increase the capital stock, improve the plant and run it on a more extensive scale.

Mr. Hall will be the superintendent of the company and devote his entire personal attention to the business. He is an experienced business man and just severed his connection with the C. Nelly Company, at Parkersburg, with whom he was for ten years as traveling salesman. The other members of the firm are also up to date business men.

The bottling works were very successfully conducted by the retiring firm and there are many patrons who regret to see them go out of the business, but their successors come highly recommended and the business will continue to be popular.

## TWO GOOD MEETINGS

Were Held at Goff Methodist Episcopal Church Yesterday--Two Helpful Visitors Present.

Those who attended the afternoon service at Goff M. E. church yesterday were treated to a pleasant surprise. Two very helpful visitors were present. The Rev. D. H. K. Dick, a supernumerary minister from Buckhannon, offered a fervent prayer and made a few valuable remarks. Mr. Goodwin, who delighted an audience in the Goff church a year ago at the State Y. M. C. A. convention, was also present and sang a beautiful solo, "Jesus, How Sweet the Name." Miss Shay also sang and spoke in her excellent way. Last night despite the rain the people filled the church. Miss Shay sang and preached a strong sermon from the subject, "Ye Must Be Born Again."

Miss Shay led the afternoon meeting and to-night at 7:30 she will sing. The pastor, Rev. S. K. Arbuthnot, will preach to-night on "Neglected Opportunities." All are invited to attend.

## WEDDING

Of Two Worthy Young People Occurs at the Goff M. E. Parsonage Monday Afternoon.

A pretty, though quiet wedding was performed at the parsonage of Goff Methodist Episcopal church Monday afternoon at four o'clock by Rev. S. K. Arbuthnot. The contracting parties were Miss Ida Belle Flanagan and Mr. Henry Wisner. The groom is from Bellevue, Pa., and the bride lives at Marshville, this county. Both are worthy young people and have numerous friends who wish them much joy and happiness for their married life.

## VENERABLE CITIZEN

OF CLARKSBURG PASSES AWAY AFTER LONG SUFFERING AT AN ADVANCED AGE.

Mr. Thomas A. Reed Succumbs to the Inevitable at His Home on Werniger Street, Early Tuesday Morning.

Death ended the sufferings of Thomas A. Reed, an aged and venerable citizen of Clarksburg, at his home, 509 Werniger street, Glen Elk, Tuesday morning at 2:30 o'clock. Mr. Reed had been ill for the past four years with cancer. For the past several months he had been in a very low condition. He sank gradually during the past week and death closed his life of usefulness at the hour above mentioned.

Mr. Reed was one of the highly esteemed residents of Clarksburg. He has made his home in this city for the past fifteen years. He was born in Taylor county 72 years and 1 month ago. 51 years ago he was united in marriage to Miss Rebecca Ann Cries. After a residence in Grafton of thirty years they moved to Clarksburg.

Besides the aged and grief-stricken wife, the deceased is survived by two children: Mrs. Ollie E. Spring, wife of George E. Spring, and D. K. Reed; one brother, Jacob Reed; two sisters, Mrs. Katherine White, of Romine Mills, and Mrs. Nancy Latham, of near Elk City, and five grandchildren. Five brothers and three sisters are dead.

Mr. Reed was an excellent citizen, an honest and tireless worker, a kind loving husband, indulgent father and was possessed of all those qualities that go to make up an exemplary Christian life. He was a carpenter by trade.

The deceased was a member of the Knights of Pythias lodge and the order of the Knights of Honor.

Final arrangements for the funeral have not been made as yet but it will take place Thursday morning at ten o'clock. Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. S. K. Arbuthnot, pastor of the Goff M. E. church, of which the deceased was a member, either at the late residence on Werniger street, or at the church. The final arrangements will be given in the Daily Telegram Wednesday. The burial will be in Glen View cemetery.

## MORMONS DEFY GOD AND LAW

By Associated Press.  
Washington, D. C., March 8--In the Smoot investigation to-day Mr. Lyman, who is the apparent successor to President Smith, of the Mormon church, was a witness. He said he was living in polygamy and had married one wife since 1900. He said he expected to continue that relation.

Lyman admitted that the revelation against polygamy in 1890 was now the law of the church and the law of God, but he could not desert his wives.

Mr. Hoar asked him: "So, you, an apostle of the church, expecting to succeed to the presidency and to receive divine revelations yourself, confess you are now living and expect to continue to live in disobedience of the law of the country, the law of your church and the law of God?"

The witness replied with a simple "yes."

## GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago March 8--Wheat, 91¢, May; corn, 51¢; oats, 41¢, May.

## PETITION IN BANKRUPTCY OF MORGANTOWN CONCERN

INVOLUNTARY PROCEEDINGS INSTITUTED AGAINST MORGANTOWN TIN PLATE CO.

Said to Be Insolvent and Has Debts Aggregating \$175,000--Date Set For a Hearing on the Petition.

A petition was filed in the office of Clerk Jasper Y. Moore, of the federal court, Tuesday by Attorney Frank H. Corbin, of Morgantown, asking that the Morgantown Tin Plate Company be thrown into involuntary bankruptcy. The petitioners are George A. Humbert, Guy

## FIRE AT SHINNSTON THREATENED ENTIRE TOWN

Big Livery Barn Destroyed Together With Feed, Carriages and Harness--Two Horses Perished in the Flames--Fire Spread, but Soon Controlled

## BULL PURP

Aged Five Months is the Cause of Trial to Come Before Magistrate Riley To-Night--James Fultz Accused of Stealing It.

A little five-months old white male bull pup is the cause of a case to be tried before Magistrate M. S. Riley at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday evening.

The bull pup belonged to R. M. Kirwin. About two weeks ago the pup disappeared and Kirwin was of the belief that James Fultz, colored, stole the dog. A warrant was sworn out before Magistrate Riley charging Fultz with the theft and the hearing was set for Tuesday evening at the hour above stated. The hearing will be an interesting one and will no doubt be attended by a large number of owners of bull dogs. Kirwin valued the animal at fifteen dollars.

## NEW STORE

Handling Clothing and Gent's Furnishings Will Open in the Monroe Building, Where "The Fair" Was.

The business room recently vacated by Mrs. Charles Killingsworth with "The Fair," and belonging to S. G. Monroe, of Lost Creek, is being thoroughly remodeled so as to make it suitable for a clothing and gent's furnishings store. The room has been rented to Louis Goodfriend, of Rockboro, N. C., who is now in the east buying a large stock of goods. The store will open within the next ten days.

## DEATH AT LOST CREEK.

The funeral of John Crumrine occurred at Lost Creek Sunday afternoon and the interment was in the Seventh Day Baptist cemetery, a large concourse attending. He died Saturday evening at 4 o'clock from stomach trouble. He was a son of Thomas Crumrine and was 23 years old and single.

## AT THE WALDO HOTEL.

Among the many guests registered at the Waldo hotel are the following: G. W. Snyder, Wheeling; J. H. Maize, Parkersburg; Mrs. H. W. Armstrong, Richwood; E. T. Hitchman, Wheeling; Frank C. Corbin, Morgantown; G. O. Brown, Weston; G. F. Teter, Philippi; E. A. Husted, Cumberland; Samuel A. Brady, J. T. Blair, Parkersburg; W. A. Sommerville, W. Va.

## TAKEN SUDDENLY ILL.

Mrs. Ed. J. Dagny, of Mechanic street, was taken suddenly ill Monday evening and doctors had to be hurriedly summoned. She is suffering from the result of an accident which she sustained by falling about a year ago when she lived in Fairmont. She revived under the treatment of the physicians and is somewhat better at present. Mrs. Dagny is well known in this city and county and has many relatives in this section. Her many friends and relatives will be pained to hear of her illness but hope for a speedy recovery.

## PETITION IN BANKRUPTCY OF MORGANTOWN CONCERN

M. Hayes and E. C. Menear, all citizens of Morgantown.

The petitioners allege that the tin plate company is insolvent and has debts aggregating \$175,000 and they ask that the company be adjudged bankrupt and that the business of the concern be wound up through that branch of the federal court.

Subpoena and order to show cause were issued, returnable before Judge J. J. Jackson, at Parkersburg, March 24. The assets of the company are not given, but if it is adjudged bankrupt, it will be required to furnish the court a schedule of them.

## Special to the Telegram.

Shinnston, W. Va., March 8--Fire broke out in Frank Powell's livery barn here at 11 o'clock last night and for a time the entire town was threatened. The blaze was one of the hottest in the history of Shinnston and it was with difficulty, in the absence of a fire department and water works, that it was gotten under control before a large amount of property was destroyed.

The barn was virtually ablaze in every section when the fire was discovered by Powell and some of a employees. The alarm was given at once and the entire population rushed to the scene and lent a willing hand in fighting the flames and rescuing live stock. A bucket brigade was seen on hand and worked like Turks in efforts to extinguish the flames. It was found useless to fight the fire so far as the barn itself was concerned and attention was paid to rescuing the 12 or 13 horses in the barn. The succeeded in getting all but two out. These two perished. One belonged to Powell and the other to Curtis Lyons. Their agonies were of the most terrible sort.

The blaze spread to Thomas Swiger's three-story frame residence adjoining, on Rebecca street, and the entire front was destroyed before the fire could be extinguished. However, the fire-fighters succeeded in getting all the contents out of that part of the building and thereby saved them without damage.

Dr. Henry's house was badly blistered but did not ignite, much work being done to keep the blaze from it. By hard work Mrs. Julia Sapp's residence was saved.

The livery barn was a large two-story building, partly of brick and the part frame. Besides the horses that perished in it a very large quantity of feed, all buggies, carriages and harness were destroyed.

The barn burned very quickly, being in smoldering ruins at 1 o'clock, two hours after the fire was discovered.

Powell's loss is estimated at between \$5,000 and \$6,000, with \$2,000 insurance. Swiger's loss will amount to at least \$1,000, and perhaps considerably more.

It is not definitely known how the fire started but it is believed it was from a natural gas jet.

## POISONS FAMILY AND SELF

By Associated Press.  
Berlin, March 8--Lieutenant Carl Bescke, retired, who had lost his fortune yesterday took his last money, gave a fine dinner in honor of his daughter's nineteenth birthday anniversary. Then he poisoned his wife, daughter, two sons, cadets at the military academy, and himself, with cyanide of potassium.

## REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES

Will Be Held Next Monday in the Various Wards and the City Convention the Following Night.

The city Republican executive committee met Monday night at 7:30 o'clock for the purpose of fixing the date for the holding of the ward primaries and the city convention to nominate a councilman in every ward and a full city ticket. The wards were all represented at the meeting. It was decided to hold the primaries next Monday night and the city convention Tuesday evening. A will be seen by reading the official notice in another column.

## POSTMASTERS NOMINATED.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, D. C., March 8--The President to-day sent to the Senate the following nominations as postmasters: William M. Campbell, Lima, O.; Elmer A. Palmer, Napoleon, O.; John A. Anderson, St. Marys, O.